COUNCIL AGENDA: 08-20-13

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## Memorandum

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Mayor Chuck Reed

SUBJECT: MAYOR'S 2013 BIENNIAL ETHICS DATE: August 15, 2013

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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8/15/13

## REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL MEMO

To add the following recommendation to the Mayor's Biennial Ethics Review memorandum dated August 1, 2013.

6. Direct the City Attorney to bring back to Council, along with the rest of the Sunshine Ordinance, the previously drafted ordinance that would define the circumstances when Councilmembers should abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest that may arise if constituents would reasonably question the integrity of the decision.

## **BACKGROUND**

In January of 2008, the City Council sent a referral to the Rules and Open Government Committee to consider an ordinance drafted by the City Attorney to define conflicts of interest arising from the appearance of loss of impartiality. That ordinance has not yet been brought back to the Council. It should be considered by the Council as part of the deliberation on the Sunshine Ordinance.